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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: JOHN F. KRATTL *JFK*
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RE: **Benita Belardes v. County of Los Angeles**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 345 048

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter.

It is requested that this recommendation be placed on the Board of Supervisor's agenda.

JFK:rfm

Attachment

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Benita Belardes v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 345 048, in the amount of \$250,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Children and Family Services' budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations that a former employee of the Department of Children and Family Services was subjected to retaliatory termination.